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Merry Christmas, and Paid in Full

How Silas Vaughan Contributed to Yuletide Cheer of the Needy.

By FRANK HERBERT SWEET

IT WAS an eloquent plea for the public building, an urge for its beauty, its value to the town, the educational gift to the eyes of youth. The speaker was hypnotic.

He had been engaged for that. Purses strings were loosened. Money poured freely—twenty, fifty, a hundred, five hundred. And it was Christmas. They went to Silas Vaughan, the grocer leader, a wealthy man of the town. People looked surreptitiously to see what magnificent sum he would give.

At first a hand went into his pocket like the others, then came out and



the arms were folded. There was an audible gasp from watchful eyes.

More pleas came, more solicitors went round, man to man.

But Silas sat there, arms folded, rigid, unmoved.

"Times are too hard," he was heard to say in answer to an importunate beggar. "It is a bad year for such a building."

"Not bad for me, and all those who in the evening came a big church community Christmas tree."

Most of the donors of the public building were there, rather proud of themselves and not above directing bits of criticism. When Silas entered, there was no uncertain air of chilliness in the room. A few nodded to him, but frigidly.

Silas appeared to take no notice, and found a seat near the front, where apparently he sat calm and unmoved.

A poorly-dressed man down in front had been looking about expectantly, as though waiting for some one to speak. Suddenly he rose.

"I ain't no speaker," he called, loudly, "but I got suthin' to say. 'Bout the new buildin', I ain't nothin' but only seems too much money yield to noble impulses," said a neighbor in a voice that all could hear.

The next day was Christmas, with the grocery and drug stores open for a few hours. Silas Vaughan went to his desk and took out twice as many bills as ever had been allowed to accumulate before. Times were hard, and more were obliged to charge.

Fully half of the accounts were rejected from the others, and several words written at the bottoms. That took nearly an hour. Then he slipped the bills into his pocket, put on his hat and coat, and went out, leaving the store to the clerks.

It was nearly closing time when he came back. This he occupied with packing and arranging a number of baskets with fruit and nuts and candy, which he sent out anonymously.

for real need. An I never liked 'horn-blowin'. Now, it's been an awful hard time for workin' folks, on 'count of there bein' so much slack. First time I couldn't pay up in twenty years. I couldn't see no Christmas for me. Now, listen: This mornin' a feller carried papers all round. I got one. First, I felt 't was a sheriff thing, like



Then I read on the bottom, 'I hope this will be the beginning of better things. Merry Christmas. Paid in full. Silas Vaughan.' Mine was thirty dollars. Si must 'a given away more'n a thousand."

He sat down. Silas had lost all his composure. He tried to slip away. But hands and apologies were appearing from all sides. He was pushed to the platform and told to make a speech. He would have made a mess of it, but all were cheering so wildly no one could hear. So it did not matter.

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CHARITY BALL NEW YEAR EVE

ANNUAL PARTY PROMISES TO BE FINE AFFAIR.

Probably the most pleasant affair of the holiday season will be the annual Charity Ball that will take place on New Year's Eve at the High School gymnasium. Every detail is being given marked attention and everyone is assured a pleasant New Year's Eve. The large school gymnasium will be attractively decorated and everything did to give the place an inviting appearance. Schram's Ramblers will furnish the music for dancing and there will be other entertainment during the evening.

The affair is given as a benefit for Grayling Mercy Hospital and under the auspices of the ladies of the Hospital Aid society. It is for a very fine cause and should have the hearty support of the public. The bill is \$1.00, with a charge of 50c for extra lady. In former years the price has been \$1.50 which included charge for lunch, but this year the ladies decided to make the admission price \$1.00, lunch to be served to those who wish it at an extra charge of 25c per person.

Watch the old year out and the new year in as guests of the Mercy Hospital Aid society.

NOTICE

People are asked not to ring central at the Grayling Telephone exchange at the time of a fire and inquire where the fire is. The telephone exchange is no information bureau, so please do not call at such times except in cases of extreme necessity. This little courtesy to the telephone operator will be very much appreciated.

Grayling Telephone Company.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all those who were so kind during the illness and death of our husband and father. And also for the beautiful floral pieces sent.

Mrs. Jens Jorgenson, Axel Jorgenson.

The Gladness of the World



When o'er the moonlit, misty fields,
Dumb with the world's great joy,
The shepherds sought the white-walled town,
Where lay the baby boy—
And, oh, the gladness of the world,
The glory of the skies,
Because the longed-for Christ looked up
In happy Mary's eyes!

—Margaret Deland



In accordance with the spirit of the time we wish to express our thanks to the subscribers for the keen interest they have shown in the various numbers.

And it is fitting, too, that we here say "Thank You" for the many orders of printing which this office has received, and for the nice volume of advertising in general with which our patrons have favored us.

Our Holiday Sentiments

'Tis Christmas and in fancy we are sitting with you in our sanctuary while the curling smoke of the peace pipe weaves our wishes of happiness and prosperity for you and yours. May the spirit of good will and progressive co-operation be your guiding star to the most successful year you have ever known.

CRAWFORD AVALANCHE,
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COL. MITCHELL GUILTY; SUSPENDED 5 YEARS

Court-Martial Lenient Because of Military Record of Accused.

Washington.—Guilty on all the eight specifications of the general charge of insubordination is the verdict against Col. William Mitchell.

The punishment is suspension from rank, command, and duty for five years, with forfeiture of all pay and allowances for the same period.

The verdict adds: "The court is thus lenient because of the military record of the accused during the World War."

In a civil court the verdict would be comparable to a verdict of guilty of slander.

The jury of nine generals and one colonel constituting the court-martial deliberated for 2 hours 51 minutes.

Colonel Mitchell took his sentence like a gentleman and a soldier. He rose from his chair and became the center of a babbling group of lawyers and correspondents. With them he began to talk animatedly, laughing the while, and suddenly remarked in a ringing voice and with a gesture toward his ten judges: "Why, these men are all my friends!"

With that he walked up to Maj. Gen. Robert Lee Howze, president of the court, and extended his right hand, which General Howze grasped, saying as he did so: "Good-by, Billy!"

The other nine judges followed their president's cue, shook the colonel by the hand, and heartily said: "Good-by, Billy!" and "Good-by, Billy!"

Mrs. Mitchell, a good soldier through-out the long ordeal of this trial, was for a few seconds after the verdict on the verge of tears. The eight specifications of the general charge were based upon Colonel Mitchell's "making, uttering, and publishing" on September 3 and September 9, 1925, at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, lengthy statements in which he charged "incompetency, criminal negligence, and almost treasonable administration of the national defense by the Navy and War departments."

The immediate cause of the statements was the disaster to the airship Shenandoah in Ohio with the loss of 14 lives and the failure of the Hawaiian flight, but the statements comprehended a general arraignment of the administration of the air service.

Their result was the ordering by the President to a court-martial to try Colonel Mitchell.

Court's Decision Great Mistake, Says Gov. Small

Springfield, Ill.—Governor Small issued the following statement in regard to the Supreme court decision which ruled that he must pay the state of Illinois \$1,000,000 interest on state funds which he sought to retain.

"To the people of Illinois: "I know that a great mistake has been made by this decision. I know, and the evidence proves, that I paid into the state treasury every dollar which I received while state treasurer as interest upon state funds."

"A petition for rehearing will be filed in due course asking the court to reconsider its decision."

"I feel certain that the men and women of Illinois who for years have observed me in the performance of my official duties will continue to have that faith in me which I believe my record as a public official warrants."

"LEN SMALL,
Governor of Illinois."

Mrs. Valentino Asks Paris Court for Divorce

Paris.—Winifred Hudson Valentino's divorce action against Rudolph Valentino finally has come into the open. The action became a part of Paris court records.

Papers in the action show the couple were married in Crown Point, Ind., in 1923, where the couple went to legalize their Mexican marriage.

New York.—Natacha Rambova's only comment when told cable dispatches announced her action for divorce, was:

"It's true. I have sued and I await a final decree."

"What caused you to bring the action?"

"There is nothing to it at all, simply incompatibility."

Assails City of Rome Captain Boston.—Lieutenant Commander Charles A. Lockwood, judge advocate before the naval board of inquiry into the sinking of the submarine S-51, charged that the story of Capt. John H. Diehl, of the City of Rome, which rammed the sub, was false.

Isn't it about time President Coolidge began inviting the boys in for some of those old-fashioned buck-wheat cakes and sausage?



ALL SET FOR THE CHRISTMAS TREE

THERE WILL BE XMAS CAROLS AND PRESENTS FOR KIDDIES

The municipal Christmas Tree is all set and ready for the people. It adorns the street corner at Main and Peninsular and is a beauty, all trimmed and lighted. Tonight the people of the city will gather about and participate, and singing Christmas carols and genuine yuletide spirit is certain to radiate from the hearts of all those who may mingle and join in the singing or listen to the songs.

This treat to the public is being sponsored by the ladies of the Good Fellowship club, with, in the absence of Mrs. Marius Hanson who is ill, Mrs. Oscar Schumann as general chairman and Mrs. C. G. Clippert as chairman of the music. Grayling band will be present and assist in furnishing the

music. It is the desire of the committees that all children be given space near the tree, while the adults stand in the circle further back.

In addition to the municipal tree, the members of the Pythian order will remember the youngsters in real Santa Claus fashion except for coming down the chimney. But old Santa will be there and there will be six hundred bags of candy, nuts and popcorn balls to distribute to all the children under the age of twelve years, and toys, dolls and other articles to those under the age of nine. A canvass of the city was made by the members and a list of all children between the ages of one and twelve have been sent special invitations to attend the presenting of the presents. An earnest effort has been made to get the names of every boy and girl and it is hoped that no little boy or girl has been left out. The children should bring their invitations and present them to Santa Claus. At the proper time they should form in line and pass before the presentation station.

We are sure this is going to be a happy night for both young and old. Everybody is invited to be there.

To Turn Wood Black

One of the simplest ways to stain wood black is to drop a small quantity of sulphuric acid into a little water, and then brush this over the wood. Afterwards, hold the wood to the fire, and the result will be a fine black color that will take a good polish.

Indian Summer

Scientists have ascribed the warmth of Indian summer to oxidation of dying and dead leaves. Persistence of northerly winds may neutralize warmth of Indian summer, but oxidation of organic matter continues.

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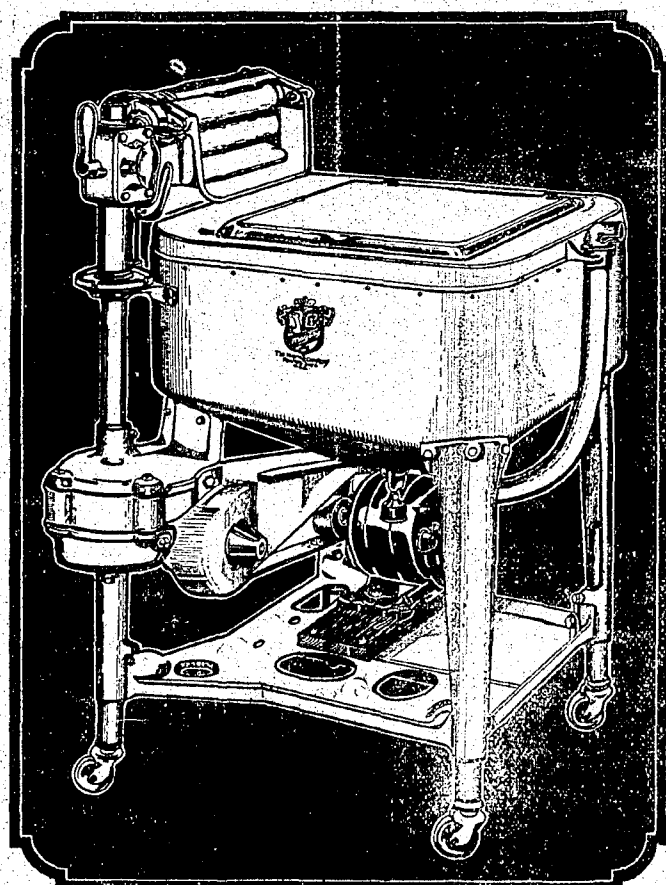
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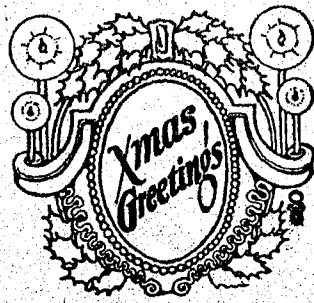
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Phone 292

Christmas Cheer

Now comes the time of peace and mirth.
To gladden and rejoice, the earth;
Kind thoughts to wake, all hearts to fill
With memories, wishes and good will.

Among our assets we like to count the only one that money cannot buy, your good will. And so at this Holiday Season we extend to you, not as a customer alone, but as a friend, the Best of Wishes for the coming year.

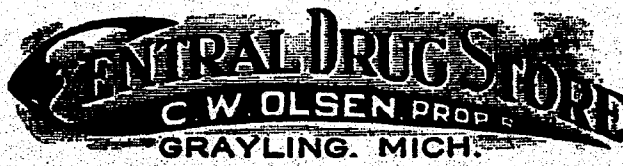
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GRAYLING, MICH.



In addition to it being a custom at this time of the year for everyone to wish everyone else a Merry Christmas, we consider it a privilege to wish our friends and customers a

Merry Christmas.

We hope that we may see you in person to extend our best wishes to you, but if not, please consider this message as direct from our hearts.



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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1925.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the village of Grayling was held on the 7th day of December 1925.

Present: C. O. McCullough, president pro tem, P. Moran, G. W. McCullough, Geo. Burke.

Absent: D. Hoesli, Frank Sales.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Report of the Committee on Finance, Claims and Accounts.

To the President and members of the Common Council:

Your Committee on Finance, Claims and Accounts respectively recommend that the accompanying bills be allowed as follows:

Crawford Co. Road Commission, Material and Equipment, \$12.31

Grayling Electric Co. November service, 15.80

Alfred Hanson, Gas and oil, 5.96

M. A. Bates, Telephone rental, 12.50

Chas. Fehr, Payroll Nov. 11, 23.75

Chas. Fehr, Fire Reports (2), 50.00

M. A. Bates, Postage, 2.00

George Burke, Storage Nov., supplies, 11.57

O. P. Schumann, Printing, 7.20

B. E. Smith, Expense account, 22.42

M. Hanson, Expense account, 22.22

Chas. Fehr, Parcel Post, 1.50

signed: C. O. McCullough, George Burke, Committee.

Moved by G. W. McCullough supported by Moran that the report of the Committee on Finance, Claims and Accounts be accepted, approved and adopted and that the President and Clerk be and are herewith authorized to issue warrants in payment thereof.

Yea and Nay vote called. All members present voting yea, Motion carried.

Moved by Geo. Burke supported by G. W. McCullough that the Village Christmas tree and the necessary lighting for the Community Christmas tree services to be supplied by the Goodfellowship Club of the village, and that the expense of the tree and lighting shall be paid from the General fund of the village and that the President and

Clerk are herewith authorized to issue warrants in payment thereof.

Yea and Nay vote called. All members present voting yea, Motion carried.

Moved and supported that the Board adjourn to December 14th, at eight o'clock p. m.

Whereupon the Board adjourned to December 14th, at eight o'clock p. m.

Chris Jensen, Village Clerk.

Adjourned meeting held on the 14th day of December 1925.

Present: President R. D. Conrine, C. O. McCullough, P. Moran, G. W. McCullough, Geo. Burke.

Absent: D. Hoesli, F. Sales.

Quorum present.

In the absence of the clerk, C. O. McCullough was appointed by the president to record the minutes of this session.

The resignation of Daniel Hoesli, to take immediate effect, read.

Moved and supported that the resignation of Daniel Hoesli from this body be accepted. Motion carried.

Yea and Nay vote called. All members present voting yea.

Thereupon the President declared the said office vacant.

Moved and supported that the Board adjourn. Motion carried.

Thereupon the Board adjourned.

Chris Jensen, Village Clerk.

GOODFELLOWSHIP CLUB NOTES.

The regular meeting of the Goodfellowship club was held Thursday evening at the hospital when Dr. C. R. Keyport gave the club a most interesting talk on the fluoroscope and X-ray.

The fluoroscope is used in making the X-ray examinations on a prepared screen and several examples were shown the club also the pictures following the different stages of a fractured bone to the final result.

Dr. Keyport presented the subject in such a clear and concise manner that the ladies felt that the meeting had been a very profitable one.

The Community tree is dressed up and lighted up for Old Saint Nick and his bundle of toys and it is hoped that a large crowd will be present to see the presents distributed and to sing the beautiful Christmas carols.

Our fountain is closed temporarily, but we are selling Cones, Cups, Ice Cream Suckers, Sherbets, Bulk Cream and Special Brick. Our Frigidaire Cabinet is working full time, and you can be sure the Cream is hard when it leaves our store.

Central Drug Store.

GENERAL PROSPERITY REPORTED BY MELLON

Prospects for Continued Good Times in U. S. Reflected in Statement.

Washington.—The general prosperity of the nation and prospects for continued good times was reflected in Secretary of the Treasury Mellon's annual report made public here.

On the strength of this outlook Secretary Mellon urged continuation of the rapid retirement of the public debt and took sharp issue with those who advocate extending debt retirement over a period of 62 years, during which time foreign debtors are to pay their obligations to this country.

"The last year has been a period of genuine prosperity for practically all classes," says Secretary Mellon. "Corporate profits are running higher than for any year since 1919. Employment has been good, prices comparatively stable, and trade on a high level as reflected in record car loadings and bank deposits to individual account. While production has been high, it has been a rule well adjusted to the rate of consumption and has not resulted in a general accumulation of large stocks. The automotive and building industries have continued to operate at a high level, and foreign trade has been increasing."

Secretary Mellon reviews progress made in the funding of debts, and points to an improvement in world conditions generally.

Reviewing business conditions, Secretary Mellon says the situation has been highly satisfactory, the progress of public economy and public debt retirement contributing to this situation. He points out in this connection the danger of making a greater tax reduction than is justified by prospective surpluses.

The report, however, contained a note of warning not to allow undue speculation in real estate or too unlimited buying on credit to undermine the basically sound condition. The Florida land boom evidently is the basis for a part of the warning.

Secretary Mellon said there was a tendency "for the consuming public to buy every conceivable commodity on time and to mortgage future earnings," but added that business men were conducting their affairs with caution and restraint in order that prosperity might not bring carelessness.

The secretary then turned to the question of prohibition enforcement, which devolves upon his department, and said that he expects a marked advance in prohibition enforcement as a result of the recent reorganization.

Ask Congress to Rush Four Waterway Projects

Washington.—Delegates attending the national rivers and harbors congress adopted resolutions calling on congress for the prompt completion of four national water transportation projects, including the Mississippi river system and the improvement of the Great lakes. The others asked, all four of which it is said have been authorized by congress, were ocean harbors and intra-coastal and other island waterways.

It was estimated that \$200,000,000 would be needed to complete the projects and it was recommended that congress appropriate each year the amount recommended by the chief of engineers of the army.

Food Prices Show Gain of Two to Five Per Cent

Washington.—With the advance of winter the retail cost of food showed a sharp rise during November, ranging from 2 per cent in Washington and Boston to 5 per cent in Louisville, Ky., and Butte, Mont. The Department of Labor announced. Other cities reported increases as follows: Bridgeport, Conn., 4 per cent; Indianapolis, 3 per cent; Portland, Me., 4 per cent; Rochester, 4 per cent.

Roosevelts Arrive in Delhi With Ovis Poli

Delhi, India.—Kermit Roosevelt arrived here from his successful shooting expedition as one of the leaders of the James Simpson-Field-Roosevelt expedition in the Tien Shan and Pamir ranges of Central Asia, where the party secured a fine group of the ovis poli, or "Marco Polo sheep." The party will go from Delhi to Calcutta for a visit with Lord Reading.

Peoria-Des Moines Runners Get Long Terms

Des Moines, Iowa.—Five of the six men who pleaded guilty to the Peoria-Des Moines liquor conspiracy case were sentenced to 18 months in the federal penitentiary by Judge Andrew Miller. W. D. Hunnell, who turned state's evidence, was fined \$1,000.

Gives Y. W. C. A. \$1,000,000

Chicago.—Cyrus H. McCormick translated into enduring form the devotion to girls' work which his wife, Harriet Hammond McCormick, manifested until her death when he gave \$1,000,000 to the Y. M. C. A. of Chicago, for the construction of a ten-story memorial building.

Utah Records Earthquake

Salt Lake City.—The seismograph of the University of Utah recorded an earthquake.

READY TO COLLECT TAXES.

The tax roll is now in my hands and I will be ready to collect taxes beginning December 7th. My office will be in the office of the county treasurer, and open from 8 to 12 a. m. and 1 to 5 p. m. and Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings from 6 to 9 p. m. Please bring your old tax receipt.

Carl J. Jensen, Treasurer Grayling Twp.

SLOGAN CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED.

Announcement has just been made by Mr. F. L. Bloom of the Bloom Company, produce commission merchants of Detroit, of the winners in the slogan contest which this concern fostered in connection with the Top O' Michigan Potato & Apple Show at Gaylord this fall. This company offered \$10 for the best selling slogan for King Spud (a fancy brand of potatoes) put up by Otsego County growers) potatoes. The first prize was awarded to Mr. W. H. Hill, General Agricultural Agent, New York Central Lines, for his slogan, "Highest Quality, Least Waste." Thus, at the rate of \$2.50 a word, Mr. Hill is rewarded for putting together four words which the judges considered as coming nearest to describing the fancy brand and recommending it to the consumer.

Over 325 slogans were presented for this contest, many of them very original and adaptable. The following eleven were selected as the best, from which the winning slogan was finally chosen:

Highest Quality—Least Waste. He reigns thru Quality. Not just good—but perfect. Monarch of the Dinner Plate. The Gold standard of potatoes. From choice fields for choice tables. The choicest of the year's yield. Sovereign of Spuddom.

His power is Quality. The kind the best cooks cook. Selected from seed to table.

In commenting on the slogan which will be used henceforth in all literature describing the King Spud brand of potatoes, Mr. Bloom said, "We particularly like the slogan, 'Highest Quality, Least Waste', because it brings out the two outstanding virtues of the brand, quality and economy."

The buyer for one of the largest retail grocery stores in Detroit, acting as one of the judges of this contest said that this slogan would help him more in selling the potatoes to casual customers than any of the others offered.

This retail store uses the King Spud brand exclusively. Another reason why we chose this slogan is because it presents the selling qualities in concrete, factual terms. We are highly gratified with the response in this slogan contest. We feel that we have secured a wonderful slogan at a ridiculously low price. We believe that it will help the farmers of northern Michigan to make more money out of their potatoes and make them more prosperous."

MRS. BELVA SHOLTS PASSED AWAY.

Mrs. Belva Sholts died at the home of her daughter Mrs. Geo. Howe, at Ithaca, Mich., December 14, 1925.

Belva Diana Love was born in New York state on Dec. 9, 1853.

When she was yet a little girl she moved with her parents to Owosso.

On June 19, 1876 she was united in marriage to the late Frederick Sholts of Fowler, at St. Charles, Mich. In the year 1890 they moved with their one child to Centre Plains, Crawford Co.

To the union were born six children five of which survive. One daughter, Dora having died 16 years ago.

Besides her five children, Charlie of Colony Bay, Montana, Mrs. Alice Wilbur of this city, Mrs. Bessie Jackson of Adrian, and Mrs. Gladys Howes of Ithaca she is survived by one sister, Mrs. Martha Robinson of Punta Gorda, Fla. and one brother, Walter R. Love of Coloma, Mich., ten grandchildren and four great-grandchildren by whom she will be sadly missed.

The funeral was held Dec. 16, 1925 with services at the home of her daughter Mrs. Chas. Wilbur at Grayling, Mich.

She deceased had made here home for the past year with her daughter Mrs. Gladys Howes at Ithaca. For 3 years previous to that she made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Wilbur of Grayling. Mrs. Sholts had been an invalid for the past 4 years, but was a patient sufferer.

Those from out of town in attendance at the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Howe and Mr. and Mrs. John Chalker of Ithaca and Mrs. John Jackson of Adrian.

YOUNG WIFE AND MOTHER DIES.

The home of William Remer is sad owing to the death of the wife and mother, Mrs. Ella Mae Remer, who passed away Tuesday afternoon at Grayling Mercy Hospital following a severe attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. Remer was taken to the hospital the latter part of the week in an effort to bring recovery, but it was too late.

As the result of her death four small children are left motherless, Margaret, age 6, William, 4, James, 2 and an infant six weeks old. The death of the mother is a sad misfortune and the bereaved husband and children have the sympathy of the community.

Mrs. Remer was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Leppard and was 31 years old. Surviving other than her husband, children and parents are two sisters, and two brothers Mrs. Fred Harrington of Midland, Mrs. Carl Larson, Herbert and John of Grayling.

Funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

FORD BREAKS NOVEMBER RECORD.

All records for Ford sales were broken during November when 148,788 passenger cars and trucks were delivered to retail customers in the United States. This is an increase of approximately 25,000 over the November sales a year ago.

Another evidence of the popularity of the improved Ford passenger cars is shown in the enrollments in the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan, which have risen to an unprecedented numbers. During November a total of 31,425 persons enrolled under the plan and began paying on cars, more than twice as many as enrolled during the same month last year.

As the holidays approach deliveries of cars to customers who have been buying them under the Weekly Purchase Plan are increasing. Some began paying on their automobiles as long as a year ago, others during the early spring and summer months, long before the improved Ford types were introduced. All now benefit in the convenience and comforts afforded by the improved cars and their increased value, without any additional cost.

SENATORIAL HOSTESS



With the reopening of congress the social duties of Mrs. King, wife of Senator William H. King, of Utah, again assume large proportions as Mrs. King is one of the most charming of the senate's hostesses.

PRESIDENT'S BUDGET ESTIMATE FOR 1927

Figures Show Increase of \$154,420,881 Over 1926.

Washington.—President Coolidge's estimates for federal government needs during the fiscal year 1927, beginning July 1, are shown in the following table:

Legislative establishment	\$ 16,498,881
Executive office	441,560
Independent Offices	1,001,692
Civil service commission	8,742,040
Employees' compensation commission	8,210,620
Federal board of vocational education	997,000
Federal trade commission	4,714,400
Housing corporation	674,398
Interstate commerce commission	6,082,300
Public buildings and public parks	2,298,850
Tariff commission	699,000
Shipping board and emergency fleet corp.	14,198,874
Smithsonian Inst. and Nat'l museum	858,240
United States veterans' bureau	458,965,000
Other independent offices	4,879,878
Department of Agriculture	140,717,758
Department of Commerce	10,402,847
Department of the Interior	250,967,602
Department of Justice	24,867,027
Department of Labor	1,567,306
Navy department	325,569,439
State department	16,614,932
Treasury department	187,562,718
War department, incl. Pen. casual	836,641,625
District of Columbia	35,626,679
Total, ordinary	\$1,845,546,960
Reduction in principal of public debt	615,583,398
Interest on public debt	795,000,000
Total payable from treasury	\$3,156,130,358
Post-Office dept. and postal service (payable from postal revenues)	740,077,668
Total, including postal service	\$3,896,208,021

The estimated figures for 1927 show an increase of \$154,420,881 over the appropriations for 1926. This compares with a budget bureau calculation of \$160,083,326. The difference is accounted for by the fact that appropriations made for public debt retirement and interest did not coincide with actual requirements.

Export Board Would Control Farm Prices

Washington.—A bill to create an export board to fix prices on farm commodities was introduced in the senate by Senator Shipstead of Minnesota. The bill is similar in principle to the McNary-Haugen bill. It proposes government price control in much the same manner as interstate and state commerce commissions fix rates for railroads, gas and electric companies and other public utilities.

Senator Shipstead says the purpose of the bill is to fix an American price for the American farmer and place him on a level with other industries.

Veterans' Bureau Requires \$314,965,000 for Activities

Washington.—An appropriation of \$314,965,000 is needed for the veterans' bureau activities during the fiscal year 1926-1927, exclusive of hospital construction and adjusted service certificate funds. Director General Hines estimated in his annual report. Mr. Hines' report declares that in no other year has "the service of the veterans' bureau been brought to the disabled veterans" as it has in the last year.

Canada's Lumber King Dies

Ottawa, Ont.—Canada's lumber king, Ottawa's grand old man, J. R. Booth, died here at the age of ninety-eight. Princess Lois, his granddaughter, wife of Prince Eric of Denmark, is at present in Denmark.

Feng to Enter Tientsin

Peking.—General Feng Yu-Hsiang, the Christian general, has taken Yangtseun on the Peking-Tientsin railway and expects to enter Tientsin in his advance against Marshal Chang Tso-Lin.

Americans Guard Train

Peking.—With a detachment of American infantry aboard as a guard, an international train under the direction of foreign officials left Peking for Tientsin.

FRESHENING BREEZES

Maybe the reason they like to fight so well in the Balkans, is because they feed the soldiers first and the women and children afterwards.

What has become of the old-fashioned girl who used to wear a horse-hair watch chain?

Tax reduction will become a reality when we're willing to give up everything, even including our own pet schemes for spending the taxpayer's

1926 Greetings

For that party you intend giving—we carry a complete stock of boy's and girl's Party Invitations, Tally Cards, Announcements, etc.

Birthday Candles, 24 in box, all colors, 5c a box
Birthday Cake Candle Holders, 1c each.

For that forgotten friend we have some handkerchiefs in gift boxes at 25c
Men's colored border handkerchiefs 10c

SPECIAL

Nickle plated brass Safety Pins, 50 on card 10c
5c Matches, 12 boxes in package 50c
Leather-faced heavy canvas Gloves 34c
Yarn Mittens, extra long wrists 50c
Radio Pliers, regular 50c value 25c
Waste Paper Baskets, strong wire 45c

S. B. Variety Store

One Door West of the Furniture Store
F. J. McCLAIN, Mgr.



A. S. Burrows

Phone No. 2.

A ROUGH JOB



Rabbit—What's your new job?
Turtle—I'm a washboard at the beaver's laundry!

CHANGEFUL GIRL



"Alice is so delightfully changeful,"
"Yes; I call her the chameleon girl."
"And why?"
"She changes her complexion as often as she does her mood."

WILLING TO TRY



Funny Man (entering shop)—Hey, barber, ever shaved a pig?
Barber—Can't say I have, sir—you're next.

The Modern Salvager

Electricity is an efficient salvager. Electric cranes equipped with electromagnets handle great quantities of metal junk at the nation's 3,000 scrap yards. The larger sections of scrap are chopped up in enormous electric shears (or smashed with a tremendous electric "skull-cracker"). The manufactured steel of the country comes from reclaimed iron and steel junk.

Subscribe for the Avalanche.

Classified Ads

STRAYED—TO THE MURRAY Lodge on the AuSable, a Foxhound, color brown and black. Owners please call 281-2R. John Wahlstrom.

FOR SALE—35 ACRES, CHAS. BLAIR farm quarter mile west of Grayling. Fine location on AuSable River. Write Geo. McCullough, Grayling, Mich.

FOR SALE—STRICTLY FRESH eggs. Leave orders at the Shop—penagon Tea Room.

WANTED—TO BUY A SECOND-Hand Sewing Machine. Must be in good condition. Ladies Aid of Michelson Memorial Church. Notify Mrs. L. J. Kraus.

FOR SALE—FOR BEST OFFER BEFORE January 30th, 1926. The N.E. 1/4 of N. W. 1/4 and the N. W. 1/4 of Sec. Eight Beaver Creek Township, Crawford Co. Michigan. Ed. B. Franch, St. Charles, Minn.

WANTED—MAN FOR JANITOR service—Steady work and good job. For particulars apply to Avalanche Office.

FOR SALE—CHAS. BLAIR PROPERTY west of Lake Street bridge on AuSable river, containing 35 acres and a good house, barn and garage. Inquire of Geo. McCullough, Grayling, Mich.

LOST—NOV. 6TH A HAND BAG containing two medicine cases and two stethoscopes. Liberal reward to finder. Leave information at Avalanche office. 12-3-2.

WASHING AND IRONING WANTED. Near South Side school. Mrs. Robtge.

FOR RENT—GOOD HOUSE NEAR South Side School. Inquire at Avalanche Office.

HOUSE FOR RENT—CLOSE TO Business section. Inquire at Avalanche Office.

Supervisors Proceedings

At the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the County of Crawford, held at the Court House in the Village of Grayling, Michigan, on Monday the 12th day of October, A. D. 1925.

Present: Rufus Edmunds and A. J. Nelson. Absent: James E. Kellogg, James H. Williams, Frank E. Love, Floyd A. Goshorn.

Resolved that: Whereas, pursuant to the provisions of law wherein a regular session of the Board of Supervisors is established, and Whereas, there being no emergency present at this date, and further that the Circuit Court for the said county of Crawford convenes on Tuesday the 13th day of October, being the second day of this week, and in consideration of the fact that Courts take precedence in all things, and that it would be impractical to continue this meeting during the said session of Circuit Court to be held on Tuesday the 13th day of October, Be it Resolved that the meeting of the Board of Supervisors be adjourned and does so stand adjourned until Monday the 19th day of October, A. D. 1925, at one o'clock in the afternoon of said day, and the same is so adjourned accordingly.

Signed, Rufus Edmunds, J. E. Kellogg, F. E. Love.

Of the Board of Supervisors for said County.

Dated October 12th, 1925.

Thereupon the said meeting adjourned and was so declared accordingly.

Rufus Edmunds, Chairman.

Frank Sales, Clerk.

OCTOBER SESSION, 1925

Monday, Oct. 19th, 1925

At a regular term of the Board of Supervisors for the County of Crawford, held at the Court House in the Village of Grayling, on Monday the 19th day of October, A. D. 1925, at one o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

Present: Rufus Edmunds, Floyd A. Goshorn, A. J. Nelson, James H. Williams. Absent: Frank Love, J. E. Kellogg.

Board called to order by the chairman.

All communications read.

Moved by Williams, supported by Nelson that the board adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock in the forenoon. Motion carried.

Frank Sales, Clerk.

Rufus Edmunds, Chairman.

Tuesday, October 20th, 1925

Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called.

Present: Rufus Edmunds, J. E. Kellogg, Floyd A. Goshorn, A. J. Nelson, James H. Williams, F. E. Love.

Absent: None.

Moved by Kellogg, supported by Goshorn that the chairman and clerk of this Board be and are herewith authorized to execute an agreement with the Michigan Children's Aid Society providing for the payment of two hundred fifty dollars to that organization as an appropriation of this Board to the said Society for the purposes therein stated.

Yeas and nays voted. All members voting yea. Motion carried.

AGREEMENT entered into between the Board of Supervisors of Crawford County, Michigan, and the Michigan Children's Aid Society.

Whereas, the Michigan Children's Aid Society is a Michigan Corporation with its principal office at Lansing, Michigan, is now at its own expense caring for children who might otherwise be a public charge in this county, and

Whereas, the said Society agrees to continue caring for the children so that the same will not be a public charge in this county, and that the said Society is engaged in caring for children temporarily dependent, and in taking for adoption and permanently placing homeless children, in the event that said children are under the full age of twelve (12) years and not feeble minded, which children might otherwise become public charges in this county.

Now, Therefore, in consideration that the said Michigan Children's Aid Society continues to care for the children of this county now being cared for by it, and in consideration that the said society takes for adoption such children as hereinbefore mentioned, for the period of one year and without expense to the county.

Be it Resolved that, in payment for the expenses thus incurred by the Michigan Children's Aid Society that this county pays to the said Michigan Children's Aid Society the sum of Two Hundred Fifty and no-100ths Dollars.

Dated this 20th day of October, 1925.

Signed Rufus Edmunds, Chairman, Frank Sales, Clerk.

Ada L. Pangburn, Representative of Michigan Children's Aid Society.

Moved by Love, supported by Kellogg that Crawford County retain its membership in the North Eastern Michigan Development Bureau for the year 1925, and that the County Treasurer and the County Clerk be and are herewith authorized and instructed to make payment on or before June 1, 1925, to the North Eastern Michigan Development Bureau, the sum of Two Hundred Fifty and no-100ths Dollars from the General Fund of said county as membership fee in said organization.

Yeas and nays voted. All members voting yea. Motion carried.

Moved by Love, supported by Kellogg that the Board do herewith appropriate the sum of one hundred and no-hundredths Dollars from the General Fund of the county, payable to the Michigan Children's Home in consideration of expenses incurred by that Society in caring for such children as may be entered in that institution for attention and care, and the County Clerk and County Treasurer are herewith authorized and instructed to issue the necessary warrant in payment thereof.

Yeas and nays voted. All members voting yea. Motion carried.

Moved by Love, supported by Nelson that Supervisors Goshorn and Williams be appointed as delegates of this Board to attend the annual meeting of the North Eastern Michigan Development Bureau to be held in Bay City, Michigan, on October 22nd, 1925, and that their expenses of travel incurred by reason of such attendance be and the same is hereby authorized to be paid by the county Clerk and Treasurer from the General Fund of the County on submission of itemized statement of such amount.

Yeas and nays voted. All members voting yea. Motion carried.

Moved by Kellogg supported by Williams that Supervisors Nelson and Goshorn be selected as delegates of this Board to attend the annual meeting of the Stat Board of Supervisors as representatives of said Board, and that the sum of \$10.00 be and is herewith appropriated from the General Fund of the county as membership fee in said association, further that the expense of travel of such delegates be paid from the General Fund of the county on submission of an itemized statement thereof and that the Clerk and Treasurer be and are herewith authorized to make such payment accordingly.

Yeas and nays voted. All members voting yea. Motion carried.

Moved by Goshorn, supported by Kellogg that the sum of \$25.00 be and the same is herewith appropriated from the General Fund of the county, payable to the Secretary of the T. O' Michigan Potato Show to be held at Gaylord on November 3, 4 and 5, 1925 as Crawford County's proportioned amount for such show and that the County Clerk and Treasurer be authorized to issue the necessary warrant in payment thereof.

Yeas and nays voted. All members voting yea, motion carried.

Report of the Superintendents of the Poor referred to the Committee on County Poor.

Moved by Kellogg, supported by Goshorn that the Board adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

Motion carried.

Frank Sales, Clerk.

Rufus Edmunds, Chairman.

Wednesday, Oct. 21, 1925.

Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called.

Present: Edmunds, Nelson, Williams, Kellogg, Love, Goshorn.

Absent: None.

Moved by Love, supported by Kellogg that the accounts on file be referred to the Committee on Claims and Accounts. Motion carried.

Report of Committee On County Poor

To the Board of Supervisors, Crawford County, Mich.

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on County Poor to whom was referred the matter of the report of the superintendents of the Poor, do herewith respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have examined the same thoroughly and we do herewith refer back the said report asking that the same be accepted, approved and adopted and recorded in full in the minutes of this session.

F. A. Goshorn, J. E. Kellogg, A. J. Nelson, Committee on County Poor.

Itemized Account of Help Given Outside of Infirmary

1924—Andrew Van Patton Allowance for Aug. Sept., Oct. \$30.00

Nov. and Dec. 20.00

1925—January 10.00

Feb. 10.00

March 10.00

April 10.00

May 10.00

June 10.00

July 10.00

August 10.00

September 10.00

1924—Mrs. Rosa Watts

Allowance for October \$15.00

Nov. and Dec. 30.00

1925—January 15.00

February 15.00

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1924—Mrs. Frank Alexander

Allowance for Oct. \$10.00

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Sanford Risdon, Frederic, Groceries \$12.00

Groceries 8.00

Albert Nelson, Frederic, 1924—Groceries, Sept. \$15.00

Groceries 19.87

Groceries 7.29

Groceries 5.08

Groceries 10.00

Groceries 3.00

Elmer Wilbur, Frederic, 1924—Sept., Groceries \$10.76

Groceries .75

Groceries, Jan. 3.00

Henry Eddyburn, Frederic, Doctor account \$21.00

Hospital services 31.25

Groceries 4.06

O. M. Turner, 1924—June, Doctor account \$2.00

Clothing 3.86

Frank Hoke, Frederic, Groceries \$3.00

Groceries 3.00

T. E. Hilyard, Doctor account \$4.00

Groceries 4.00

Mrs. Harry Green, July, groceries \$5.00

July, groceries 4.00

July, clothing 4.10

Aug., groceries 10.26

Mrs. Henry Bowen, Nov., and Dec., groceries \$30.00

Jan., groceries 15.00

Feb., groceries 15.00

Mar., groceries 15.00

April, groceries 15.00

May, groceries 15.00

June, groceries 15.00

July, groceries 15.00

Doctor acct., (confinement) 25.00

Aug., groceries 15.00

Albert Kohr, Frederic, Hospital services \$75.63

Doctor acct. 32.00

Barber acct. at Hospital 1.00

Charles DaMoth, Clothing \$13.30

Jacob Riley's children, Frederic, 3 railroad tickets from Frederic to Portmouth \$25.32

Clothing 10.20

Frank Craft, Frederic, Groceries for June \$30.69

Clothing for June 5.30

Clothing for June 3.50

Groceries for July 48.46

Oscar Bowen, Frederic, Groceries \$14.00

Mrs. Olive Sturdivant, Frederic, 2 cords wood for Jan. \$6.00

Groceries for Jan. 8.00

Groceries for March 10.00

Groceries for April 10.00

Groceries for May 14.38

Groceries for June 27.15

Groceries for July 41.37

Groceries for Aug. 25.00

Leona Markby, Hospital services \$144.75

Mrs. Fred Moggo, Groceries for June \$11.95

Groceries for July 15.00

Al Cripps, Groceries \$5.31

Lillian Lovely's child, Allowance for April \$10.00

Allowance for May 10.00

Allowance for June 10.00

Allowance for July 10.00

Allowance for Aug. \$10.00

Allowance for Sept. 10.00

Edward Barnes, Clothing \$3.50

Leroy Caulkin's child, Dec., 1923—Digging grave \$3.00

Richard O'Connell, April, 1924—Groceries \$3.38

July, 1924—Bal. of funeral expenses 65.70

George Niesonger, Groceries for April, May and June \$25.62

Ambulance for body 5.00

Message to U. of M. Ann Arbor—body shipped to Ann Arbor .57

William Benedict, May 1924, Groceries \$1.79

Casket, hearse, attendance 34.50

Digging grave 5.00

Ellis Hood's child, Frederic, Casket \$15.00

Charles Anderson, Truck for reeling body \$2.00

Truck for services for remains to report—body shipped to Ann Arbor 2.00

James Simpson, Coffin and ambulance \$45.00

Services by minister 2.00

Mrs. Anna Lindberg, Digging grave \$45.00

Service by minister 2.00

2 funeral cars 5.00

William Short, Ambulance to undertaking parlor \$1.50

Ambulance to Express office, body shipped to Ann Arbor .75

Frank Baroff's child, Frederic, April 1924—Casket \$31.00

Mrs. Frank Fillmore, Oct., 1923—Service by minister \$200

William Brennaman, Care 3 children for 1 month \$50.00

Care 3 children for 10 days 16.66

Clothing 16.08

Aid Given South Branch Township in 1922 and 1923 \$82.74

Mrs. Hughes, 1922—Groceries in Feb. \$5.00

Groceries in March 6.00

Mrs. John Bauer, 1922—Groceries in March \$11.00

Groceries in April 6.25

Groceries in December 4.38

1923—Groceries in April 8.38

Manuel Cone, 1923—Groceries in April \$3.10

(The above furnished by Supervisors of South Branch township. Bill presented in 1923 but was not acted upon by the Board at that time.)

Pages 1 to 8 inclusive are for medical, funeral, food, clothing, shelter, fuel and transportation for temporary relief. Total \$2294.17

Balance of D. Short's bill for \$50.00 will be refunded from Alcona County.

Year Beginning Oct. 1, 1924 and Ending Sept. 30, 1925

Infirmary Expense

Medical \$193.60

Clothing and bedding 118.88

Fuel and lights 684.36

Foods and provisions 3207.55

Stationary and telephone 37.75

Soaps and disinfectants 61.80

Gasoline and oils 140.50

Household supplies 30.05

Repairs and upkeep 394.67

Temporary Relief

Medical 356.18

Funeral 371.02

Food 1458.11

Clothing 61.63

Shelter 65.00

Fuel 56.25

Transportation 25.98

Commissioner expense 60.78

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Overdrawn Oct. 1, 1924 3232.58

Appropriation by Supervisors 8,000.00

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Emil Kraus, Secretary, Farm Itemized Expense \$36.03

Repairs 135.50

Labor 11.43

Hardware 11.43

Pump parts 27.31

Safety valve 7.00

Steel drum 11.25

Door sash 2.25

Leather belt 6.75

Balance on batteries 35.00

Cylinder 6.50

Electrical supplies 10.75

Commissioners' Expense Itemized Printing and binding \$20.40

Wall paper 12.55

Taxes paid 22.81

Association dues 5.00

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Nov. 28—Tim Webster 30.00

Nov. 28—Gladwin Co. for Mrs. Geo. Taylor 55.35

Nov. 28—O'Connell, rent for Nov. 6.00

Dec. 13—Alcona Co. for David Short 92.90

Dec. 13—O'Connell rent allowed for paste, paper etc. 6.00

Jan. 5—O'Connell rent for Jan. Jan. 17—Montmorency County for Thos. Hogan 12.32

Feb. 10—O'Connell rent for Feb. April 8—C. Sherman for L. Lovely's child 10.00

April 8—O'Connell, rent for March and April 12.00

April 8—Otsego Co. for J. H. Risdon 6.66

April 29—Alcona Co. for David Short 106.43

April 29—C. Sherman for Lillian Lovely's child 10.00

June 2—C. Sherman for L. Lovely's child 10.00

June 2—O'Connell rent for June 2—O'Connell rent for 422.75

June 2—O'Connell rent for May 6.00

June 23—C. Sherman for Lillian Lovely's child 20.00

June 23—O'Connell rent for June 6.00

Aug. 11—Antrim Co. for Frank Craft 37.79

Aug. 11—Manistee Co. for Chas. Anderson 14.00

Aug. 11—Alcona Co. for David Short 100.00

Aug. 11—O'Connell rent for July and Aug. 12.00

Aug. 31—C. Sherman for L. Lovely's child 10.00

Aug. 31—A. Riley 9.00

Aug. 11—C. Sherman for L. Lovely's child 10.00

Sept. 26—C. Sherman for L. Lovely's child 10.00

Sept. 26—Antrim Co. for Frank Craft 48.96

Sept. 26—O'Connell rent for Sept. 6.00

Forwarded \$7220.14

Overdrawn Oct. 1, 1924 3232.58

Appropriation by Supervisors 8,000.00

Overdrawn Sept. 30 10452.72

Overdrawn Sept. 30, 1925 1732.22

Emil Kraus, Secretary, Farm Itemized Expense \$36.03

Repairs 135.50

Labor 11.43

Hardware 11.43

Pump parts 27.31

Safety valve 7.00

Steel drum 11.25

Door sash 2.25

Leather belt 6.75

Balance on batteries 35.00

Cylinder 6.50

Electrical supplies 10.75

Commissioners' Expense Itemized Printing and binding \$20.40

Wall paper 12.55

Taxes paid 22.81

Association dues 5.00

Moved by Love, supported by Williams that the Board adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

Motion carried.

Frank Sales, Clerk.

Rufus Edmunds, Chairman.

1924—Refunds

Oct. 7—O'Connell rent for Aug. Sept., Oct. \$18.00

Oct. 7—Otsego Co. for Ernest Bucher 50.44

Nov. 28—Tim Webster 30.00

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(Supervisors Proceeding Continued.)
as reported, for the year 1925, as follows:

Construction	
County Road No. 1, West	\$1,000.00
County Road No. 1, East	3,000.00
County Road No. 2	3,000.00
County Road No. 3	3,000.00
Maintenance	
County Road No. 1	750.00
County Road No. 2	200.00
County Road No. 3	300.00
S. S. Lake Road	300.00
Total	\$8,550.00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Ralph Hanna, Chairman,
The Board of Co. Road Commissioners
Crawford Co., Mich.

Frank Sales, Clerk.

Expenditures from Oct. 1, 1924 to

Sept. 30, 1925	
Construction	\$7,943.00
Maintenance	9,058.23
Equipment	6,129.60
Material	10,370.87
General expense	4,760.86
Total	\$38,262.56

Receipts from Oct. 1st, 1924 to Sept.

30th, 1925	
Construction	none
Maintenance	\$27,321.60
Equipment	257.94
Material	299.50
General expense	3.75
Total	\$27,882.79

Disbursements for the Year

1924	
Oct.	\$247.05
Nov.	544.17
Dec.	1,068.34
Jan.	1,244.50
Feb.	1,053.07
Mar.	1,037.07
Apr.	1,037.07
May	1,037.07
June	1,037.07
July	1,037.07
Aug.	1,037.07
Sept.	1,037.07
Total	\$10,370.87

Sub Classified Expenditures for

Period Oct. 1st, 1924, to Sept.

30th, 1925.

Construction

F. A. 64	\$722.61
County Road No. 1	1,745.40
County Road No. 2	4,895.95
S. T. L. 76	582.24
County Road No. 3	63.50
S. T. L. 93	431.60
S. T. L. 14 48 B	1,500.00
Total	\$7,943.00

Maintenance

Patrol 14-1	\$1,120.22
14-1A	724.10
14-2	2,618.10
14-3	1,801.30
14-4	1,018.10
14-5	355.50
14-6	344.81
14-7	251.30
14-8	26.20
Co. Road No. 1	260.70
Co. Road No. 2	10.60
Co. Road No. 3	124.55
33-5	412.35
Total	\$9,058.23

Equipment

Trucks	\$1,050.00
Repairs	2,171.17
Implements	\$2,207.61
Miscellaneous	696.71
Freight	4.21
Total	\$6,129.60

Material

Clay	\$46.88
Gravel	2,016.62
FYlight	1.79
Miscellaneous	4,341.76
Lumber	232.25
Gas and Oil	3,731.67
Total	\$10,370.87

General Expense

Office supplies	\$141.00
Miscellaneous	605.93
Employees' Expense	322.68
Administration	1,149.00
Supt. Salary	950.00
Traffic Census	49.00
Travel	173.03
Light and Telephone	57.71
Insurance	812.61
Total	\$4,760.86

Total costs including payrolls—

Maintenance	\$714.10
14-1	\$238.17
14-1A	53.40
14-2	2,618.10
14-3	1,801.30
14-4	1,018.10
14-5	355.50
14-6	344.81
14-7	251.30
14-8	26.20
Co. Road No. 1	260.70
Co. Road No. 2	10.60
Co. Road No. 3	124.55
S. S. Lake Road	26.20
Total	\$17,001.23

Construction

Co. Road No. 2	\$2,898.95
Co. Road No. 1	1,745.40
F. A. 64	722.61
S. T. L. 70	582.24
S. T. L. 93	431.50
S. T. L. 14 48B1	1,500.00
Co. Road No. 3	63.50
Total	\$23,238.18

Gravel

14-1	\$238.17
14-1A	53.40
14-2	2,618.10
14-3	1,801.30
14-4	1,018.10
14-5	355.50
14-6	344.81
14-7	251.30
14-8	26.20
Co. Road No. 1	260.70
Co. Road No. 2	10.60
Co. Road No. 3	124.55
S. S. Lake Road	26.20
Total	\$13,066.60

Clay

14-1	\$238.17
14-1A	53.40
14-2	2,618.10
14-3	1,801.30
14-4	1,018.10
14-5	355.50
14-6	344.81
14-7	251.30
14-8	26.20
Co. Road No. 1	260.70
Co. Road No. 2	10.60
Co. Road No. 3	124.55
S. S. Lake Road	26.20
Total	\$8,880.00

Paint

14-1	\$238.17
14-1A	53.40
14-2	2,618.10
14-3	1,801.30
14-4	1,018.10
14-5	355.50
14-6	344.81
14-7	251.30
14-8	26.20
Co. Road No. 1	260.70
Co. Road No. 2	10.60
Co. Road No. 3	124.55
S. S. Lake Road	26.20
Total	\$3,500.40

Tar Paper

14-1	\$238.17
14-1A	53.40
14-2	2,618.10
14-3	1,801.30
14-4	1,018.10
14-5	355.50
14-6	344.81
14-7	251.30
14-8	26.20
Co. Road No. 1	260.70
Co. Road No. 2	10.60
Co. Road No. 3	124.55
S. S. Lake Road	26.20
Total	\$10.84

Culvert

14-1	\$238.17
14-1A	53.40
14-2	2,618.10
14-3	1,801.30
14-4	1,018.10
14-5	355.50
14-6	344.81
14-7	251.30
14-8	26.20
Co. Road No. 1	260.70
Co. Road No. 2	10.60
Co. Road No. 3	124.55
S. S. Lake Road	26.20
Total	\$1.65

Lumber

14-1	\$238.17
14-1A	53.40
14-2	2,618.10
14-3	1,801.30
14-4	1,018.10
14-5	355.50
14-6	344.81
14-7	251.30
14-8	26.20
Co. Road No. 1	260.70
Co. Road No. 2	10.60
Co. Road No. 3	124.55
S. S. Lake Road	26.20
Total	\$1.65

Hay

14-1	\$238.17
14-1A	53.40
14-2	2,618.10
14-3	1,801.30
14-4	1,018.10
14-5	355.50
14-6	344.81
14-7	251.30
14-8	26.20
Co. Road No. 1	260.70
Co. Road No. 2	10.60
Co. Road No. 3	124.55
S. S. Lake Road	26.20
Total	\$1.65

Straw

14-1	\$238.17
14-1A	53.40
14-2	2,618.10
14-3	1,801.30
14-4	1,018.10
14-5	355.50
14-6	344.81
14-7	251.30
14-8	26.20
Co. Road No. 1	260.70
Co. Road No. 2	10.60
Co. Road No. 3	124.55
S. S. Lake Road	26.20
Total	\$1.65

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14-1	\$238.17
14-1A	53.40
14-2	2,618.10
14-3	1,801.30
14-4	1,018.10
14-5	355.50
14-6	344.81
14-7	251.30
14-8	26.20
Co. Road No. 1	260.70
Co. Road No. 2	10.60
Co. Road No. 3	124.55
S. S. Lake Road	26.20
Total	\$24,520.58

Receipts for the Year	
Oct.	Nov.
\$6,208.97	\$6,185.13
484.58	478.73
82.07	
1925	
Jan.	4,369.82
Feb.	2,089.05
Mar.	3.13
Apr.	367.26
May	4,648.14
June	41.13
July	584.82
Aug.	8,830.18
Sept.	175.66
Totals	\$27,882.79

Summary

Bal on hand Sept 30, '24	\$13,588.16
Receipts during year, other	27,882.79
Receipts County Budget	5,000.00
Total amount available	\$46,470.95
Disbursements during year	\$38,262.56
Bal. on hand Sept 30, 1925	\$8,208.39

Whereas, there has been brought to the consideration of this Board a proposition on which action shall be taken to provide finances for the continuation of the construction and extension of certain county roads within Crawford county, and Whereas, as appears from the records before this Board that it is necessary such provision shall be made by taxation, therefore

Resolved, that the sum of \$10,000.00 be and it is hereby directed, shall be placed in the County budget for the year 1926, and shall be so considered and incorporated therein and the Committee on Ways and Means is so directed accordingly.

Be It Further Resolved, that the Board of the County Road Commissioners be recommended to cause a survey of South Branch Township roads to be had, with reference to such of them as should be incorporated in the County Road system of Crawford County.

Moved by Goshorn, supported by Kellogg, that the resolution be accepted, approved and adopted.

Yeas: Williams, Love, Edmonds, Goshorn, Nelson.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Absent: Kellogg.

Recess declared to one o'clock this afternoon.

Afternoon Session

Mr. Kellogg reported present.

Report of Committee on Ways and Means

The Board of Supervisors, Crawford County, Mich.

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Ways and Means to whom was referred the matter of the Township Clerk's reports of money to be raised by taxation in the several townships of the County for Township, Road Repair, Highway Improvement, School and other purposes of the year 1925, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have examined them and found that they are regular and complete, and do hereby recommend that the several Supervisors of the County for the year 1925, be and are hereby authorized, and directed to spread the amounts therein scheduled upon the tax roll of each of their respective townships for the year 1925, as reported, as follows:

Beaver Creek

Township tax	1/4 of 1%
Road Repair tax	1/4 of 1%
Highway Improvement tax	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 1	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 2	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 3	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 4	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 5	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 6	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 7	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 8	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 9	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 10	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 11	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 12	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 13	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 14	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 15	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 16	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 17	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 18	1/4 of 1%
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School Dist. No. 20	1/4 of 1%
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School Dist. No. 22	1/4 of 1%
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School Dist. No. 27	1/4 of 1%
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School Dist. No. 29	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 30	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 31	1/4 of 1%
School Dist. No. 32	1/4 of 1%
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Mac & Gidley

The Rexall Store

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LOCAL NEWS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1935.

A merry Christmas to all.

Miss Mildred Corwin of Lansing is spending the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Corwin.

O. M. Turner, who is employed in Saginaw is visiting his family.

Mose Blondin of Mackinaw City visited his sister Mrs. Daniel Hoesli over the week end.

Chas. Adams and family have moved into the house they recently purchased from Nick Schjotz.

Mrs. Elmer Simpson and daughter Donna of Stittsville are visiting relative and friends here.

A line of new dresses at the Gift Shop. Charity Ball, Dec. 31st.

Mrs. Cooley.

Amos Colbath of Mt. Clemens was in the city a few days visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Colbath.

Miss Beulah Collen of Detroit is here to visit over Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Collen.

Henry Ahman is home from the U. of M., Ann Arbor to spend the holidays visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ahman.

Misses Ingeborg and Agnes Hanson of Detroit expect to spend Christmas visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hanson.

Harold Schmidt, who is employed in Detroit is here to spend the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Holger Schmidt.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Melstrup, daughter Elizabeth Ann and son Junior will be guests at the home of Mrs. Victor Salling over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Smith expect to spend Christmas and the remainder of the week guests of the latter's mother, Mrs. King at Houghton Lake.

Mrs. Will Green and children left Friday for Detroit to spend the holidays with Mr. Green also Mrs. Green's parents Mr. and Mrs. Hendrickson Cook.

Misses Marguerite Cowell and Florence McClay were guests of the former's grandmother Mrs. Mary Turner last Friday while enroute to their home at the Soo from Ypsilanti.

Mrs. Hansine Hanson is making extensive repairs on the interior of the building at the corner of Michigan Avenue and Cedar street, formerly occupied as a soft drink parlor.

Mrs. Phoebe Owen returned the fore part of last week from Lovells where she had been visiting since before Thanksgiving. She left Tuesday for Detroit to spend the winter with her granddaughter Mrs. Ruth Stolker.

Mrs. D. E. Winer of Vanderbilt visited the B. A. Cooley home Tuesday.

Herbert Seven returned from Flint, Tuesday, where he had been for the past couple of weeks.

Mrs. Kate Loskos left Tuesday for Grand Rapids to spend several days visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ed Morrey.

The big event of the season, you will need a new gown. Let us try to please you. Mrs. Cooley, at the Gift Shop.

Master Charles Taylor left for Detroit Tuesday to spend the holidays with his sisters who are employed in that city.

Miss Helen Ziebell arrived from Detroit Sunday morning to visit over the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ziebell.

Mrs. Emil Kraus and son William returned Monday from a pleasant visit with relatives in Hurley and Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. George Biggs expect their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Barber of Durand to spend Christmas with them.

Conrad Howse and daughter Miss Iva returned home Tuesday from Grand Rapids and points in Indiana, where they had been visiting.

Wayne Ewalt left Tuesday morning for Mackinaw City to visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ewalt over the holidays.

Miss Bernice McNeven, who is employed in Detroit is here to spend Christmas at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. James McNeven.

Miss Claribel Lovelly and Richard Lovelly of Bay City will arrive Christmas morning to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lovelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Rasmus Jorgenson will have as their guests over Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Warner and little son Ralph and Ernest Jorgenson of Detroit.

Miss Loretta McDonald who is attending the Central State Normal at Mt. Pleasant is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Sivrais have gone to Flint to spend the winter with their daughters, Mrs. Harold Millard and Mrs. Arthur Johnson. While away they also expect to spend some time in Detroit.

The old Avalanche gasoline engine that had been so faithful to us for about ten years, now is doing duty at the Charles Corwin farm in South Branch township, pumping water and helping out in other farm work. We wouldn't have parted with it except for electricity, the premier of all powers.

Mark Murray of Detroit arrived in town this morning to spend a few days at the Murray Lodge on the Au-Sable hunting rabbits. His father, Edgar A. Murray, is expected to arrive tomorrow morning. Mark is still a student of the Culver Military college.



From the Grocery Store that serves you with a Christmas smile of good cheer each and every day throughout the year—and where you will always find the spirit of fairness and good will predominant.

H. Petersen, Grocer

PHONE 25

Harry Helper of Helper & Clinkofstine is leaving today to spend Christmas at his home in Bay City.

Miss Minnie Daugherty and son Ellis will leave tonight to spend Christmas in Bay City.

Don't forget that English Plum Pudding for your Christmas dinner. Order it at Olaf Sorenson & Sons.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gillett are leaving this afternoon to spend Christmas the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Steggall.

Mrs. Elma Hemmingson and daughter Doris of Mt. Pleasant are visiting at the home of her brother Wilhelm Nielsen over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Campbell of Mt. Pleasant are spending the holidays at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hanson.

A Christmas suggestion, a new dress for the Charity ball, Dec. 31st. Remember we make all necessary alterations at the Gift Shop.

Mrs. Mose Laurent left for Cheboygan this morning called there by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Malafant, who suffered a stroke of paralysis a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold G. Jarmin and child Alton and Joan are spending Christmas with relatives in Bay City, guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Hawthorne and Mr. Jarmin's parents.

The new Victor Orthophones sold by the Central Drug store appears to have every other phonograph eclipsed for purity and quality of tone. They have sold a number for Christmas.

Mac & Gidley's doll contest closes tonight and it looks as the Francis Jane Corwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Corwin was leading the contest with a large margin of votes. Fourteen other girls are due to also receive prizes of beautiful talking dolls.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Petersen over Christmas will be Mr. and Mrs. William Pohor and daughters, Nadine and Berle and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Petersen of Detroit; Mrs. Clarence Claggett and children of Maumee Ohio, Miss Marjorie Petersen, Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. James Olson and children of Oxford.

E. A. Wright of the Public Service Corp. of Cheboygan was in the city Tuesday on business in connection with the local electric plant. He says it is a pleasure to come to Grayling for he knows that the people here appreciate the new electric service and that he is always met with a smile. Grayling is now receiving all the electric juice they may need for lighting, heating and power, and it is a joy indeed.

Mrs. Anthony Trudeau delightfully entertained the It Suits club at her home Wednesday evening of last week. Mrs. Ambrose McClain and Mrs. Etner Matson won the prizes. A lovely lunch was enjoyed. Mrs. Arnold Burrows was a guest. The week previous Mrs. Victor Smith was hostess to the club and served a delicious oyster stew. Mrs. Chas. Fehr held the highest score on that evening and Mrs. Adler Jorgenson received the consolation prize.

The home of N. W. Colbath on Norway street was gutted by fire Saturday night at about 11:30 o'clock, which was caused from an overheated stove and was not discovered until it had gained quite a headway. Mr. Colbath carried a small amount of insurance, but not enough to cover the loss. The household furniture and the interior of the building were wrecked.

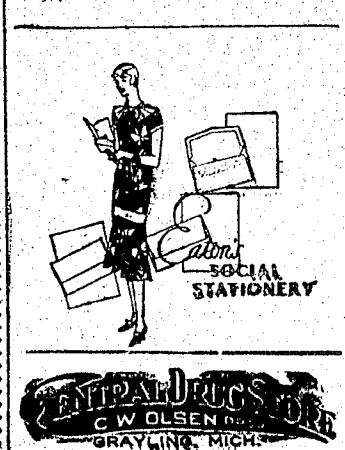
The fire department was called and did good work in saving adjacent buildings, keeping the blaze under excellent control.

George Straus, of West Branch, book-keeper for Frank Smith & Son of that city, is a patient at Mercy hospital as the result of injuries received last Sunday night near St. Helen, when he jumped from a moving automobile. Mr. Straus was in company with James Grover Jr., of St. Helen and as the machine skidded on the icy road and looked as tho it would turn over he jumped from it. His head and face were badly lacerated and bruised, but his injuries are not considered serious and he is getting along nicely.

The sad news was received by Grayling, Mrs. Anna Melstrup, that occurred in Flint Monday, of the death of Detroit that attended after a several weeks' illness. The Melstrup family were estimable residents of this city for several years and the news of that lady's death is a source of deep regret to her many friends. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon in Bay City, where the remains were taken for interment. Mrs. Ann Burke, and daughter Miss Virginia Hanson of Los Angeles have been in Detroit the past week owing to Mrs. Melstrup's illness.

The Christmas exercises at the F. M. church Tuesday evening consisting of recitations, songs and music were very well carried out by the children. The church was crowded to its doors and everyone enjoyed it very much. Following the program boxes of candy, oranges and apples were distributed to the children. This was their annual treat and as in former years the business men about town furnished the funds for it. The pastor and children wish to extend their thanks to those who helped to give them this Christmas cheer. All those who do not attend church services, or are not members of any church in the city are invited to join the congregation of the F. M. church. Also the little children are welcome to attend Sunday school.

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Fred Edwards is home from Flint to spend the holiday vacation.

Mrs. Oscar Hanson returned home Tuesday from a few days spent in Detroit.

You will find games, toys, dolls, glassware and china at half price and less. Ask the clerk to see our special counter. Sorenson Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Smith and son Genn expect to spend Christmas in Ionia, the guests of Mrs. Smith's parents.

Mrs. O. Milnes left Tuesday for Wolverine to be the guest of her son Eno Milnes and family over Christmas.

Mrs. Clarence Brown was in Bay City over Sunday visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Woodruff. She was accompanied by Helen Elaine McLeod.

The home of Mrs. A. Kraus will be merry over the Christmas tide, as a number of guests are expected to arrive. Mr. Wilfred Cohen of Detroit has already arrived and others are expected today.

In our perfume department you will find the products of Coty, Yardly, Caron, Houbigant, Raquel, Hudnut, Nylotis, Woodworth, Pivers and others. We believe in nationally known and advertised goods. Central Drug Store.

Grayling Opera House will present a complete production during the holiday season. Tonight, Christmas Eve and tomorrow evening, the theatre-goers will have the pleasure of seeing "Never the Twain Shall Meet." New Year Eve and New Year night "Friendly Enemies" featuring Webber and Fields will be shown.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McKinley will spend Christmas with their son Ray and family in Gaylord. Mae says he is sorry he won't be in town tonight to help the Knights of Pythias distribute presents to the kiddies, for he has been a Pythian since 1893 and loves the Pythian principles. He is the efficient prelate of Gaylord lodge and his son Ray has just been elected Chancellor commander.

The business men report excellent Christmas trades. Most of the stores have extra clerks and all have been kept busy at times. The stores have been showing an unusually fine assortment of gift articles, both useful and ornamental, and the places have been nicely decorated in Yuletide fashion. Glad smiles are seen everywhere one may go and it seems that the world is in perfect tune.

School closed last week Friday and the pupils and teachers are enjoying a two week vacation. Most of the latter have departed for their respective homes, while the pupils are enjoying the time at home and a few taking advantage of the opportunity to visit friends and relatives in other cities. The weather has been ideal and outdoor hiking parties have been popular with some. A few are fixing their ice shanties preparatory to enjoy the ice skating in the lakes next month.

Ruben S. Babbitt, well known deputy state game warden was in town Wednesday for about the first time since Thanksgiving day, when he was obliged to, for the first time in his life submit to the services of a doctor. Mr. Babbitt was injured on Thanksgiving day when he attempted to drive a deer over Bald Hill. He was more than a mile when he skinned his right leg so badly that he is still in a crippled condition. He says that he got the doe to within about 60 rods of his car and could get no further until assistance arrived and he as well as the deer had to be helped to the car. He is getting about very slowly by the aid of a cane and with much physical effort. He came in yesterday to get his hair cut, which hadn't been trimmed for more than a month and was much in contrast to its usual trim appearance. Everyone is glad to see Mr. Babbitt out again and hope he may soon recover from his injuries.

Vote to Open Baseball Season One Week Earlier
New York.—The salary of Sam R. Johnson, president of the American league, was increased from \$30,000 to \$40,000 and his contract extended from 1935 to 1936 at the annual meeting of league officials. Frank J. Navin of Detroit was re-elected vice president. The magnates voted to begin the season April 18 and close September 28, one week earlier than formerly, in order to try to find better weather and avoid competition between the football season and the world's series.

Amelia Bingham, Actress, Bound and Robbed

New York.—Amelia Bingham, noted as a millionaire actress, was bound and gagged, along with her perior maid and her seamstress, in a bedroom of her residence, 103 Riverside drive, by two young bandits, who made off with \$1,500, mostly in jewelry. She succeeded in diverting their attention from a bag containing \$20,000 in cash and valuables.

Mrs. Bingham is the widow of Lloyd Bingham, who died while on the Ford peace mission.

Iowa Farmers Decide to Hold Corn for \$1.15 Bu.

Des Moines, Iowa.—Resolutions suggesting that farmers hold their corn until they are able to secure \$1.15 a bushel for it on the Chicago market were unanimously passed at the closing session of the National Corn Growers' association here.

Ask Russian Recognition
Washington.—Chairman Borah of the foreign relations committee of the United States senate introduced a resolution in the senate calling for the recognition of the Soviet government of Russia.

Approve Boundary Treaty
Dublin.—Ireland's Daily Eireann ratified a treaty settling the boundary dispute between south and north Ireland. The vote as recorded was 71 to 20.



It is our sincere wish that our many customers and friends enjoy to the utmost the pleasures of the Holiday season, and the coming year be filled with profit and pleasure.

We also at this time, wish to express our thanks for the liberal patronage given us during the present year, and especially during the Holiday Season.

Grayling Mercantile Company

LOVELLS NEWS

An enjoyable time was had Saturday night at the home of Lola Papenfus. Progressive pedro was played. Lee Kellogg (taking ladies part) and Edgar Douglas winning first prizes. Miss L. Knepper and J. Duby winning consolation prizes. A lovely lunch was served.

Miss Ruth Stillwagon who is attending college at Olivet is home for the holidays.

John Sunday spent the week end at St. Helen.

Billie Husted is home for a few days.

Jake Stillwagon who is attending school at West Branch is home. Mrs. Husted accompanied him, visiting her daughter Mrs. C. Stillwagon and Mrs. E. Douglas.

P. McPhail was in Lovells on business.

Harry Hunt of Red Oak was a Lovells caller Saturday.

G. Sheldon is busy hauling hay for Houghton's camp.

A truck returned from Detroit after another load of Christmas trees which they were unable to haul last week.

CARD OF THANKS

Our thanks and appreciation are extended to our friends and neighbors for their kindness and the floral offerings sent during our late bereavement. Especially do we wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Rev. Frye, those who sang, and the Gleaners of Centre Plains Arbor.

Mr. Charlie Shotts,
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wilbur and family,
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wallace and family,
Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson,
Mr. and Mrs. George Howes and family.



WE EXTEND TO ONE AND ALL
A VERY

Merry Christmas

AND A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS

New Year

E. E. BUGBY

Notion Store

Job Printers - Linotypers - Publishers

The HOOVER

It BEATS... as it Sweeps as it Cleans



It can still be a "Hoover Christmas"

Even with all its happiness, Christmas may not have brought you the one thing you most needed and wanted—a Hoover.

Instead, it brought you a check, perhaps, and the wish that you might buy with this money something you really wanted.

Is that right? Then it can still be a "Hoover-Christmas." For there's nothing he would rather see you have than the freedom from drudgery, the leisure hours, the renewed pride in your home, which are yours

when the Hoover keeps your home clean.

Here is your chance to beat, sweep and air-clean your rugs electrically, easily, quickly, and to do your "dusting" as only the remarkable Hoover dusting tools can do it, with air-suction, dustlessly.

If you don't care to pay the entire cost of your Hoover, the balance—anything over \$6.25—will be divided into easy monthly amounts that will be no burden.

Buy a Hoover with your Christmas money

We wish all our friends a very

Merry Christmas

Sorenson Bros.

The Home of Dependable Furniture.

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NEVER THE TWAIN SHALL MEET

PETER B. KYNE'S STORY
of CALIFORNIA and the
SOUTH SEAS!

A Man and a Maid who
gambled their all for
love. A romance of untamed
devotion, tense with adven-
ture and sacrifice, rich with
the shimmering beauty of
the exotic South Seas.

WITH A GREAT
ALL-STAR CAST

Adapted by Eugene Mullin
Settings by Joseph Urban

Directed by
MAURICE TOURNEUR

A
Cosmopolitan
Production
Distributed by
Metro Goldwyn



Grayling Opera House

THURSDAY and FRIDAY

Dec. 24 and 25

Prices: - - 15c and 35c

HOUSE PASSES NEW TAX BILL 390 TO 25

Amended to Limit Tenure of
Office for Members of
Appeals Board.

Washington.—The house of repre-
sentatives passed the tax bill.

On a roll call vote of 390 to 25, the
measure went sailing through al-
though amended in the closing hours
of a heated debate so as to reduce
tenure of office for members of the
board of tax appeals to fourteen years.

An attempt of Representative Rainey,
Democrat of Illinois, to recommit the
entire bill and report it back with a
25 per cent maximum surtax rate and
a 25 per cent maximum estate tax rate
failed on a roll call vote of 207 to
147.

The bill with its reductions in nor-
mal, surtax and estate tax rates, its
increased exemptions and its reduced
excise levies went through just as the
committee had reported it on Decem-
ber 7.

The bill now goes to the senate
where the finance committee is sched-
uled to commence consideration on
January 4. It will reach the floor of
the senate the latter part of January
and is expected to become law by
March 1, which will be time to make
the cuts in income taxes effective on
1925 earnings for which returns must
be filed by March 15.

The bill as passed reduced revenues
approximately \$325,000,000 during the
calendar year 1926, \$335,000,000 dur-
ing 1927, and \$345,000,000 during 1928.
Of this amount \$189,000,000 is ac-
counted for by income tax reductions,
\$32,000,000 is due to automobile tax
cuts, \$2,000,000 to the repeal of the
gift tax and the balance of \$49,000,000
is caused by the repeal of various mis-
cellaneous taxes.

Income tax cuts provided by the bill
include reduction of present normal
rates of 2 per cent on the first \$4,000;
4 per cent on the next \$4,000, and 6
per cent above that amount, to 1 1/2,
3 and 5 per cent, respectively. The max-
imum on which the 25 per cent earned
income deduction applies is made \$20,-
000, instead of \$10,000.

Surtaxes are reduced to a maximum
of 20 per cent, instead of 40 per cent.
Personal exemptions are increased
from \$1,000 for single persons to
\$1,500 and from \$2,500 for heads of
families to \$3,500.

The tax on corporation earnings re-
mains unchanged at 12 1/2 per cent.
The capital stock tax also remains in
the bill.

The publicity provision of the present
law, requiring amounts paid by
individuals and corporations to be
open to public inspection is repealed.
The estate tax is reduced from a
maximum of 40 per cent to a max-
imum of 20 per cent. The gift tax is
repealed entirely.

Taxes on automobiles, trucks, tires,
and accessories are repealed and the
tax on automobiles is cut from 5 to
3 per cent. Taxes on cigars are cut
by about 25 per cent. The tax on al-
cohol is cut in half over a period of
two years.

Manufacturers' excise taxes and other
miscellaneous taxes are repealed
entirely.

The admission tax remains in the
law, except for the exemption of the
legitimate spoken drama.

President Favors Speeding Up of Waterway Projects

Washington.—The midwestern fight
for speedy completion of the inland
waterway system is beginning to show
results.

This was indicated at the White
House, when it was stated that Pres-
ident Coolidge, providing funds are
available, is in favor of the expendi-
ture of an additional \$10,000,000 dur-
ing the next fiscal year in the de-
velopment of the Mississippi river
project, specifically including the lakes
to the Gulf link connecting Chicago
and New Orleans.

The budget already provides ap-
proximately \$10,000,000 for the
maintenance and development of the
Mississippi system. The army en-
gineers, however, recommended that
an additional \$10,000,000 could prob-
ably be spent in hurrying its com-
pletion.

All residents who appeared at their
windows during the blasting inside
the bank were fired upon, lookouts
firing nearly 100 shots. Night Marshal
August Welzine and Harry Little,
Rock Island station agent, were made
captive by the bandits and locked
in the bank.

Tom Murray Is Dead
Chicago.—Tom Murray, county com-
missioner, whose advertising slogan
"meet me face to face," made him fa-
mous in local clothing business cir-
cles before he entered politics, died in
the University hospital after two
operations.

Five Children Die in Fire
Holden, Mass.—Five children of
John J. Hoy were burned to death
in a fire which destroyed the Hoy
home, a two-story dwelling.

Winding Railways
The following are some of the most
crooked railroads: Durpeeling-Hum-
lana, in India; Tamapala railway, in
California; Oroya Railway of Peru.
The Tamapala railway has to have a
hinge in the engine and short-length
cars to take abrupt turns in the track.

Words in Holy Books
There are 593,408 words in the Old
Testament, and 181,253 words in the
New Testament.

GRIDIRON CHIEF



Clifford K. Berryman, international-
ly famous cartoonist, who was elected
president of the Gridiron club at the
annual dinner of that unique Wash-
ington organization.

23 FOUND GUILTY IN BIG DISTILLERY PLOT

Face Two-Year Prison Sen-
tence and \$10,000 Fine.

Indianapolis.—Twenty-three men
from St. Louis, Cincinnati and Chicago
were found guilty in Federal court
here of conspiracy to violate the na-
tional prohibition laws in connection
with withdrawal of 30,000 gallons of
pewar whisky from the Jack Daniel
distillery at St. Louis.

Twenty of the men are from St.
Louis, where several of them are
prominent in politics; two are from
Cincinnati and one from Chicago.

December 30 was set by Judge Rob-
ert C. Baltzell for passing sentence.
A maximum sentence of two years in
may be assessed.

Among those convicted were: Ar-
nold J. Bellmink, former collector of
internal revenue; Nat Goldstein, Re-
publican leader and former clerk of
the Circuit court; State Senator Mi-
chael J. Kinney, Michael J. Whalen,
former alderman, and William J. Kin-
ney, deputy internal revenue collector,
all of St. Louis.

Mrs. Ada Gehrum, John Gehrum and
August Walter, Cincinnati, were ex-
onerated by the jury.

2,000 Chinese Killed or Wounded in Yangtsun

London.—Two thousand Chinese
were killed or wounded in the Yangt-
sun battle area in the recent fight-
ing, according to a dispatch from
Tientsin to the Daily Mail. This area
lies between Peking and Tientsin.

Japanese railway guards at New-
chwang, Manchuria, are holding two
Chinese armies of 30,000—those of
the Manchurian leader, Chang, and
the rebel, Kuo Sun Ling—12 miles
apart, denying both the right of tran-
sit through the railway zone. The
Japanese troops took possession of
Mukden, notifying Marshal Chang
Tso-in that he cannot return unless
he comes in the role of undisputed
victor or unarmed refugee. General
Chang expressed great indignation at
his virtual ejection from his own
capital.

Elaine Harris Loses Fight to Hold Spouse

New York.—Mrs. Eleanor Elaine
Lee Harris lost her appeal from the
judgment annulling her marriage to
Beverly Harris, a former vice pres-
ident of the National City bank, when
the appellate division affirmed the
annulment.

Harris was awarded an interlocu-
tory decree of annulment by Supreme
Court Justice Wagner in June, 1925,
after a jury which heard the case
had recommended that an annulment
be granted. The jury found Mrs. Har-
ris guilty of misrepresenting her
social status and moral character to
Harris before their marriage. Har-
ris filed his annulment suit in 1922.

Express Train Held Up; \$100,000 in Silks Stolen

Hackensack, N. J.—The Wells Fargo
express train, 13, Chicago bound, and
carrying no passengers was robbed
between Hackensack bridge and H. B.
Junction, N. J., of manufacturers'
silks and expensive women's wear
estimated at \$100,000 in value. The
robbers are believed to have boarded
the express just before it left the
New York terminal.

May Drop Schall Contest

Washington.—The senate informed
counsel for Magnus Johnson that un-
less specific charges were filed, the
investigation in the contest filed by
Johnson against Senator Schall, re-
publican of Minnesota, would not be
carried further.

Hammond Envoy to Spain

Washington.—Ogden H. Hammond
of New Jersey was nominated by
President Coolidge to be ambassador
to Spain.

"After taking Adlerika I can eat anything and sleep like a log. I had gas on the stomach and couldn't keep food down nor sleep." Signed R. C. Miller. One spoonful Adlerika re- moves GAS and often brings sur- prising relief to the stomach. Stops that full, bloated feeling. Often brings out old waste-matter you never thought was in your system. Excel- lent for chronic constipation. Mac & Gidley, Druggists.

Farm Bureau Notes

R. D. BAILEY

County

Agent

Merry Christmas!
A Merry Christmas for all our
readers is the earnest wish of the writ-
er of these notes.

We must admit that there is much,
very much to be thankful for—a coun-
ty at peace in which to plan and to
strive; health, hope, our family, our
friends, good school system, opportu-
nity; abundance of food and fuel; nat-
ional prosperity of which we may par-
take as much as we have ability, dil-
igence and ideals.

Things are well with us. We are
blessed beyond what we appreciate.
To realize the value of all the above
blessings, we would need to live in
some European countries, a while,
where these things are lacking. For
instance in Bolshevik Russia.

To appreciate the roof over our
heads, the abundant meat, milk, cream,
eggs, and other food, the abundant
and cheap fire wood, incident to our
farms, perhaps we ought to be for a
while without a job in a big city, with
a family on our hands.

Another Farmer Makes Progress.
We record with pride that Mr. John
Canfield, on the Cross farm, in Beaver
Creek township, last week pur-
chased from Mr. John McGillis of
South Branch township, a fine regis-
tered, purebred Holstein bull calf, out
of the choice bull belonging to the
New York Central Lines, and now
kept by Mr. McGillis.

The dam of this fine young sire just
purchased by Mr. Canfield is a cow
purchased by Mr. McGillis when he
and the county agent attended a sale
of purebred Holsteins away beyond
Gladwin a few years ago, at the time
when Mr. McGillis cleared out the
whole herd of 17 scrubs and put the
money into a few choice purebreds,
and says he is glad he did.

We always feel very glad at each
new purebred sire or heifer that is
brought into the county, for it so
greatly improves our stock, and takes
the people that much farther on the
road to prosperity and real farming.

The coming of this bull to Mr. Can-
field's here makes 32 registered, pure-
bred sires that the county agent has
had a hand in bringing in.

There have been 12 to 15 purebred
cows or heifers brought in.

This good stock will be showing in
the county for years to come.

Who Gets the Next One?
On the farm of Andrew Mortenson
is a fine thrifty, purebred Holstein
bull calf, born this fall, out of stock
that the County agent helped Mr.
Mortenson get from Mt. Pleasant.

It will be of considerable interest to
good farmers to see who gets this,
the best bull calf that we know of for
sale, in the county.

Learn More and Earn More.
Short Courses of one to eight weeks
duration begin at our Agricultural
College January 4. Expense is light.
Hundreds of ambitious young men and
women, and some old enough to be
their parents, attend each winter.

They learn more and will certainly
earn more, and farm life will take on
new and pleasant meanings for them.

Will It Pay to Farm?
It will. Farming has struck bot-
tom and is on the re-bound. Pros-
pects for trained farmers are rapidly
improving. The future for the unim-
proved, untrained farmer, who mere-
ly puts his time and labor, but not his
brain, into farming looks dark. Aw-
ful dark! He will be crowded to the
wall by the onrush of better methods
and efficiency in the hands of others.

What a Great Farm Thinker Says.
Professor G. F. Warren, of Cornell
University is one of the greatest Agri-
cultural economists of the United
States. He says in his new book,
"The Agricultural Situation": "This
is a good time for a young man to
prepare for farming when he can buy
a good farm business at a low price.
From the long-time point of view
farming promises as desirable a mode
of life as ever."

Wages are so good that one can earn
money rapidly during vacations.
Probably it will be a long time before
there is a better opportunity to save
money out of wages, provided the
worker is willing to GO WITHOUT
some of the things that are not neces-

sary for his health or education.

Many persons always spend all they
earn as soon as they get it, if they
have not spent it before. They pre-
fer temporary pleasure to future hap-
piness, or maybe carried along by
their associates rather than control
their own lives. The young man who
plans to be a farmer must have more
self control. He must pass by shop
windows, see things that he desires
and keep his money in his pocket, be-
cause he wishes to save it for future
needs.

The safest investment of time and
money for a young man is education.
We hear men regretting all kinds of
expenditures and mistakes of the past.
Have you ever heard a man regret
that he studied so long?

Navy to "Attack" Cities
Los Angeles, Cal.—Attacks on San
Francisco and New York will be part
of the battle maneuvers for the United
States fleet in 1926 and 1927.

Florida Express Embargoed

Jacksonville, Fla.—The American
Express company placed an embargo
on all express shipments into Florida,
excepting foodstuffs, and on all out-
bound citrus fruits and fish originat-
ing south of here.

To Guard Sugar Workers

Havana.—Gen. Alberto Herrera,
chief of staff of the Cuban army, or-
dered military posts throughout the
island to protect sugar cane field work-
ers where a guard is requested.

CHRISTMAS ZEST

CHRISTMAS zest warms the
heart and makes the heart
glow. Do not let any outside
cyclism rob you of this glow.
Do not curl your lip and say
you know the elevator man or
the grocer's boy or the many
others to whom you give a little
Christmas joy is just looking for
the present and is being polite
for that reason.

Enjoy their pleasure in receiv-
ing. Enjoy, yourself, in giving.
And doesn't every one enjoy
presents? When you say:
"He's looking for a Christmas
present," you lose half your own
joy.

When you say:
"What an opportunity to add
a little present to another per-
son's Christmas," you have your
own full measure of joy.

Christmas zest must not be
bereft of any of its spirit—
Mary Graham Bonner.
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UNCLE HANK



After young folks get married, they
want to be careful to have their tall-
light lit, so's not to be over-run by
relatives.

FORMER LEAGUE BALL PLAYER NOW SUPERINTENDENT OF BELLEVILLE COAL MINE

"Bob" Groom Recalls Days When Ball Was Played for the
Actual Sport of the Game, Without Huge
Incomes as An Incentive.

In the Encyclopedia Britannica
some day one will read:
ROBERT "BOB" GROOM—Ameri-
can, sportsman; at one time big
league ball player. Born Belle-
ville, Illinois. Played ball about
twelve years, eight years of which
was devoted to professional playing.
As member of the Coast League
Groom was bought by Washington,
of which he and Walter Johnson
were the principal pitchers, played
with St. Louis Federal, which team
later was absorbed by the Browns;
later went to the Cleveland, after
which he retired from professional
playing to devote time to the build-
ing of a home team, known as the
"White Rose." Later became mine
superintendent. Home address, 2124
West "A" street.

To his thousands of friends Groom
is known as a true sportsman.
He played ball because he loved
the horsehide pill. He played, like
his team companions, to beat the
other team first, last and all the time
whenever and wherever it was pos-
sible to slip over the greatest
number of runs. There was
little, if any, taint about the great
American game ten years ago. It
was "best team win."

Groom Praises Indu.
"If anyone believed that superin-
tending a coal mine is sort of
feather bed job he is welcome to
try it. There were many unpleasant
things to contend with, not the least

among them being dampness. Many
men working about coal mines cou-
tract malaria. Just why it is hard
to explain, but hardly a day passes
that some of the men do not com-
plain about pains shooting all over
them, etc. To get rid of this and
a general tired feeling I commenced
taking INDU. I was following suit
of the family and most of the people
of Belleville. Just had to be in style,
as the phrase goes.

INDU has proved its worth to my
full satisfaction. I have taken five
bottles and I can honestly praise it
as a splendid all-around toning up
tonic.

"While I'm not stuck on newspaper
publicity, yet I am glad to say a
good word for INDU because I be-
lieve in it."

Mr. Groom is superintendent of the
Richland mine, Belleville.

STICK TO
'INDU'
FOR YOUR HEALTH'S SAKE

For Sale in Grayling only by
MAC & GIDLEY

WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Having purchased from a pre-inventory stock
in an Eastern factory the following:

One lot of Ladies' one-piece flannel
dresses, in the new colors and black.

A nice line of two-piece styles with tailored
touches in Poirer Twill and Poirer Sheen. Plain
colors and striped materials. \$12.00 to \$14.00
values for

\$5.95 and \$7.95

Saturday Specials:

A few Coats, fur-trimmed at
prices that will surprise you.

Don't miss seeing these. First come,
first served.

Ladies' and Men's Shoes

Ladies' Pumps and Slippers and Men's Shoes and Ox-
fords are being closed out rapidly at Frank's.

Dont miss this. To see is to know. Goods are going out rapidly at
this store and it is up to you to get busy.

Wishing you one and all a
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

I am yours to please,

FRANK DREESE